

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 6659**  
Yoshio UMEZAWA et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2006\_1324A  
Serial No. 10/589,255 : Group Art Unit 1647  
Filed January 18, 2007 : Examiner Shulamith H. Shafer  
  
PROBE FOR DETECTING NUCLEAR : **Mail Stop: AMENDMENT**  
RECEPTOR AGONIST OR ANTAGONIST  
AND METHOD FOR SCREENING AGONIST  
OR ANTAGONIST TO NUCLEAR RECEPTOR  
WITH THE USE OF THE SAME

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

In response to the Restriction/Species Election Requirement dated April 8, 2009, Applicants hereby elect the invention identified as Group I, claims 1-6, 7 in part, 8, 10 in part and 11, drawn to a probe for detecting an agonist or an antagonist to a nuclear receptor and an *in vitro* method for screening for an agonist or an antagonist.

**Upon allowance of the elected claims, the Examiner is requested to consider the possibility of rejoinder per M.P.E.P. § 821.04.**

Favorable action on the merits is now requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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